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On about 20 September 1952 the Swedish steamer ASLOEG lay at anchor for four days in the Mezen (N 65-50, E 44-16) or Okulovskiy (N 66-03, E 44-06) roadstead before the mouth of the Mezen River (N 66-03, E 44-05). During this time the ship was closely watched by a patrol boat of the Soviet Navy. The patrol vessel had a crew of eighteen men, and was lightly armed. All traffic between the Swedish vessel and shore was prevented. No other vessels of the Soviet Navy, other than single small patrol boats, were observed.

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